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## **Response to Notice of Opposition**

### **Applicant Information**

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85259140

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Applicant:

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#### **Opposer Information**

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**Opposition No.:** 

91202894

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## **Goods/Services Affected by Opposition**

Class 009.

First Use 2011/03/01 First Use in Commerce 2011/03/03

Software for gathering and analyzing computer performance data

## **Applicant Response to Opposition**

Unlikelihood of confusion

Trademark Act section 2(d)

#### Mark Cited by Opposer

U. S. Registration No. 3118508 Registration Date: 07/18/2006 Application Date: 03/01/2005 Foreign Priority Date: None

Word Mark: POWER ANALYTICS

Design Mark: POWER ANALYTICS

Description of Mark: None

Goods/Services: Class 009.

First use: 2005/04/18 First Use in Commerce: 2005/04/18.

Computer software for real-time monitoring, analysis and predictive control of electrical power distribution system infrastructures for mission critical facilities, such as submarines and airports, to ensure uninterrupted operations of said infrastructures and the critical processes they support.

#### **Certificate of Service**

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of this paper has been served upon all parties, at their address record by First Class Mail on this date:

Signature

Name: William Watson

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Date: 12/13/2011

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In the Matter of Application Serial No. 85/2	259,1	40			
Published in the Official Gazette of August 9, 2011					
Application for POWER ANALYTICS in class	9				
Midrange Performance Group, a Colorado		)			
Corporation	1	)	· ·		
Applicant,		)	Opposition No. 91202894		
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Vs.		)			
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Power Analytics Corporation, a Delaware		)			
Corporation		)			
Opposer		)			

#### **VIA ELECTRONIC SYSTEM FOR**

TRADEMARK TRIALS AND APPEAL (ESTTA)

#### **RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF OPPOSITION**

Midrange Performance Group ("Applicant"), a Colorado corporation, having a principal address of 100 Arapahoe, #14, Boulder, CO, 80302, hereby request the approval of concurrent registration for the mark "POWER ANALYTICS", application Serial No. 85259140.

The Applicant believes that there would be NO damages of concurrent registration of the mark "POWER ANALYTICS" due to the completely different marketplaces and functions.

As grounds of disagreement with opposition #91202894 Applicant asserts as follows:

1. The facts as stated in the Plaintiff's opposition statements 1 through 4 are true.

- 2. Opposer's registered trademark: "POWER ANALYTICS" is in NO way related, although identical, to Applicant's application for the same mark as stated in statement 5 of the opposition. Opposer's software is for "real-time monitoring, analysis and predictive control of electrical power distribution systems infrastructures". Applicants software is for "gathering and analyzing computer performance data" specifically on IBM's Power Systems (hence the name) computers used in commercial environments. Applicant's use of the 'POWER ANALYTICS' mark is only as a set of functions within Applicant's Navigator Family of products: specifically, Performance Navigator and Power Navigator. Applicant's use of the mark 'POWER ANALYTICS' has nothing to do with 'electrical power distribution systems infrastructures'.
- 3. Opposer's goods and Applicant's goods travel in completely different marketing channels of trade. Applicant's customers are solely focused on the IBM commercial computer systems marketplace. There is virtually zero overlap with the marketing and classes of customers with the Opposer's. The only possible customer overlap would a customer who needed or uses Opposer's software and also uses IBM solutions in their back-office commercial operation (invoicing customers, etc.).
- 4. Applicant believes that there would be zero confusion in the marketplace with that of the Opposer for the reasons stated above. As an additional proof of lack of confusion, a Google search for the mark 'POWER ANALYTICS' returned zero references to the Applicant, at least in the top 100, while 90% of the top 100 returned references the Opposer.
- 5. For the foregoing reasons, the registration of 'POWER ANALYTICS' sought by Applicant is NOT contrary to Section 2 of the Lanham Act and would cause no damage to Opposer.

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests the Opposition be overruled and the registration of 'POWER ANALYTICS' Application No. 85259140 be approved.

Dated: December 13, 2011

Respectfully submitted,

William R. Watson

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and complete copy of the foregoing RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF OPPOSITION is being mailed on December 13, 2011, by First Class mail to Opposer as follows:

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Dated: December 13, 2011

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